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We have today paid the issue fee in the above-referenced application and respectfully request that Figure 1 be designated when the patent is published.

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